



INFORMATION SHEET 3 (January 2011)

LIST OF REGISTRABLE BIRD SPECIES: SCHEDULE 4 OF THE WILDLIFE AND COUNTRYSIDE ACT 1981

1. Schedule 4 lists all species of birds that are required to be registered with the Wildlife Licensing and Registration Service (WLRs) of Animal Health if kept in captivity.
2. The following birds are listed on Schedule 4 and must be registered:

Buzzard, Honey	<i>Pernis apivorus</i>
Eagle, Golden	<i>Aquila chrysaetos</i>
Eagle, White-tailed	<i>Haliaeetus albicilla</i>
Falcon, Peregrine	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>
Goshawk	<i>Accipiter gentilis</i>
Harrier, Marsh	<i>Circus aeruginosus</i>
Harrier, Montagu's	<i>Circus pygargus</i>
Merlin	<i>Falco columbarius</i>
Osprey	<i>Pandion haliaetus</i>

3. Captive bred Peregrine falcons and Merlins which are going to be used commercially may alternatively be registered via a valid Article 10 Certificate issued by the UK CITES Management Authority (WLRs). If you decide to register captive bred birds in this way you should apply as soon as they have been permanently marked. **Note: if you are using a pre-issued (semi-complete) A10 to register the bird, the registration will not begin until the pink copy has been returned to us completed with the bird's ring or microchip number.**

4. Wild Peregrine falcons and Merlins which are in captivity for rehabilitation purposes must be registered via a blue registration document as soon as they come into your possession (see Information sheet 5). It is not possible to register wild birds of these species with an Article 10 certificate.

5. Imported Schedule 4 birds must be registered as soon as they come into your possession. If the imported bird is a Peregrine falcon or a Merlin you must apply to register the bird via a blue registration document as it is not possible to use an Article 10 certificate issued by another Member State for registration purposes. (If the bird is covered for commercial use by a specimen specific Article 10 certificate issued by another EU Member State, you can continue to use the A10 for CITES purposes.)

6. Please contact our office for advice and application forms, or if you prefer, visit our website for information and to download application forms.

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The full range of Bird Registration information sheets is available from our website.